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The largest battle of the war is expected to take place in France very soon.

Senator Ollie James made a fine speech in the Senate a few days ago in reply to Chamberlain and other unjust critics.

Teddy Roosevelt has had a sore head for a long time, as the public well knows. For several months his venomous vapors have been emitted periodically through a few sensational newspapers that care very little about the United States. After firing one of his poison-gas shells he puts his ear to ground to listen for applause. The strain of listening in vain finally resulted last week in inflammation of the ear and a gathering of some of his pus to that locality. Then Teddy rushed to a hospital, and bulletins were issued every so often, and he was on the front page of a number of newspapers again. The bulletins have faithfully reported his temperature, pulse, age, weight, color, respiration, inspiration, perspiration, everything except his expiration. Finally, it is announced that he is sufficiently recovered to read detective stories, that thrilling and elevating class of literature which will make a wild animal stand on his hind legs. Evidently he is stocking up for another raid.

Chamberlain also has had an accumulation of pus and an operation for appendicitis was decided to be necessary.

TUSCULOA.

Plenty of rain, wind, mud, thunder and lightning. Some say for every thunder storm we have in February we'll have a frost on the same date in May. Some of our people are attending court.

Hobart Brainard came home from Ashland Monday.

Travis Bush, who has been in bad health for a long time is now able to be out.

M. F. and Adair Jordan went to Carter's security Monday of this week.

Madam Rumor says that some real estate deals are being made this week.

Miss Ada Cunningham of Carter-co. are visiting relatives here this week.

Bert Cooksey, who lived at Dennis, has moved to the Bill Dean farm and Dennis Rice moved into the house vacated by Cooksey.

Rev. Conley preached a very able and interesting sermon at Olliville Sunday.

Some of our boys who were in the draft went to Louisa Monday and were accepted for military service and will leave for Camp Taylor Monday next.

The venerable A. J. Webb has been confined to his room about all winter. His health has been very poor for some time.

Albert Hammond went to Louisa Monday.

If labor can be had farmers will plant a large acreage of corn this season.

OLD LEM JUCKLENS.

AUXIER AND EAST POINT.
Mrs. Frank Bailey and little son of Paintsville were visiting Mrs. Frank Ramey recently.

Misses Lora Ramey, Flora Johnson and Mrs. Lizzie Moles were calling on Mrs. Gertrude Davis.

Frank Layne and family have removed from Auxier to Akron, Ohio.

Aunt Katie Leek has returned home after an extensive visit with Mrs. Martin Bayes.

Eugene Davis, who holds a responsible position at Ashland, had the misfortune to fall on the ice one day during the sleety weather, breaking his shoulder bone, since which time he has been under treatment at Ashland.

Mrs. Jeff Music and daughter, Alva, have located in Huntington.

A Red Cross chapter with about 80 members, was organized at Auxier last week.

Miss May Leslie of Burkeville, Va., was the guest of her cousin, Misses Ames and Annie Auxier, Saturday.

Miss Leslie has just closed a term of school in Pike county and is visiting a number of relatives in Kentucky before leaving for Virginia.

Miss Ruth Leslie holds a responsible position in the war intelligence department in Washington, D. C.

The infant child of Mr. and Mrs. Sam Music died at Seco and was brought here for burial Sunday.

Our editor is sowing good seed thru the medium of the Home Circle. May the harvest be abundant. SENG.

A POWERFUL AID
When you feel sluggish and nervous, tired and indifferent, you have the first symptoms of declining strength and your system positively needs the special nutritive food-tonic in

SCOTT'S EMULSION

to replenish your blood power, enliven its circulation and bring back the snap and elasticity of good health. Scott's Emulsion supplies Nature with the correct building-food which is better than any drugs, pills or alcoholic mixtures.

The Norwegian cod liver oil in Scott's Emulsion is now refined in our own American laboratories which makes it pure and palatable.

Scott & Bowne, New York, N.Y.

AVIATOR DODGES HUNS 72 DAYS

Lieut. Pat. O'Brien of Illinois Tells of Wild Adventures in Germany.

JUMPS FROM MOVING TRAIN

American Strategy Triumphs Over German Efficiency—One of His Hardest Stunts Was Swimming River Meuse.

Chicago.—Pat O'Brien of Moline, Ill., is back from the fighting front. In the British flying corps the young man from Moline is known as Lieut. Patrick Alva O'Brien. He is famous for several reasons. His real story began when he made a descent of nearly two miles in his airplane after a German bullet in the face had rendered him unconscious. The fall cost him a lump on the head.

He jumped out of the window of a moving train on his way to a German prison camp, and escaped. Then he spent 72 days in getting to Holland, a distance of 250 miles as the airplane flies. And the story ends with one of the longest interviews with a king on record—52 minutes by the royal stopwatch.

Many times during those 72 nights of travel through Germany, Luxembourg, and occupied Belgium, American strategy triumphed over German efficiency.

"Usually," said Lieutenant O'Brien, "when a bunch of fellows get together, they talk about women. But in our first prison, in Flanders, we talked only about escape and food, and got very little of either. There were other officers going to an interior prison camp, and a guard with a rifle for every two prisoners.

Leaps From Train.

"We rode all day and all night. Twice I put up the window to jump and lost my nerve. It looked too much like sudden death. As I put it up again, about four in the morning, the guard gave me an ugly look. I knew it was then or never and dove out.

"For nearly a month afterward I thought my left eye was gone. The scars are there yet. By the time the train stopped, a half-mile on, or more, I was up and stumbled to a hiding place. Those Germans looked everywhere—on the side of the tracks to ward the border. I was in the opposite direction.

"It was a month before I got rid of my English uniform. I stole a pair of overalls one night. I got a cap the next and a shirt later. A Belgian gave me a scarf. That was all the help I got."

As an appetizer Lieutenant O'Brien ate turnip. The entire was sugar beet, and the meal closed with a cabbage stomp that even the Germans scorned. "And I never did like vegetables," he said. "I hope I never have to eat another."

One night a German soldier saw him swimming a river, and raised the alarm.

"I felt sure they would be on top of me in a few minutes," he said. "So I ran upstream and swam back to the other side. I knew the ways of the Hun pretty well by then. They looked everywhere on the other side, but not a German came near me.

Swam the Meuse.

"One of the hardest things I did was to swim the Meuse river. I had all my clothes on, to my boots, and the river was half a mile across. It nearly got me twenty-five feet from shore. I was choking, and I admit praying. My boyhood on the Kankakee saved my life.

"When I got up the bank I fainted. It was the only time I ever fainted."

Lieutenant O'Brien could not speak German. As a boy, a Moline baker of Teuton origin taught him a phrase of German, but he did not know what it meant. It was some "ten lifetimes" after swimming the Meuse he found the nine-foot death fence of the Holland frontier. Death all but got him then, as his improvised ladder dropped him on the charged wires.

"A few minutes later," he said, "I could have tripped the guard with my ladder. After he had gone I dug—dug as I never dug before in my life. My back was half an inch from death when I crawled under and into Holland."

GOING OVER TOP IS BETTER THAN FOOTBALL

Anniston, Ala.—Tom McClure, former Auburn football star, declares that going over the top in France beats charging into an opposing eleven. In a letter received here McClure tells of going "over the top" with the United States engineers four times. He was in the thick of the recent hostilities that resulted in several American casualties, but declares the game in France beats football at that.

Pigs Stay in City Limits.

Piedmont, W. Va.—"Pigs is pigs," and as such they will be permitted to thrive within the borough limits. The momentous question was decided at a hot special election recently, when the hog supporters won out by a majority of 89.

HELP FRENCH MORALE

General Pershing Asks Encouragement for the Poilus.

Nation Has Kept Up Its Heroic Fight In the Face of Great Odds.

Chicago.—General Pershing was asked by Dr. W. T. Foster, who was sent to France to inspect the work of the American Red Cross, what this organization could do during the winter that would be the greatest help in the prosecution of the war.

"Aside in sustaining the morale of the French army," the commander of the American expeditionary forces replied without hesitation.

According to Doctor Foster, who recently returned to the United States, the Red Cross is accomplishing this purpose. In addition to aiding French hospitals with surgical dressings and other supplies, the Red Cross is saving many civilians from starvation, caring for orphan children and rebuilding the devastated areas.

"The impression some have that more supplies are being produced in America than there is need for would be quickly dissipated," he declared, "if every one could see as I did, the record of surgical dressings supplied to 1,800 hospitals. I also saw one French soldier so badly wounded a whole case of dressings was used to save him."

Americans who think our army expansion is cutting deeply into our civil life will find a comparison with the situation in France decidedly illuminating. A Red Cross official just back from France said:

"In a city of 15,000 people which I visited only one man, an old doctor, too old even longer to practice his profession, was left. I passed through 20 French villages in which there was not a single able-bodied man remaining."

It is stripping France in this manner that the nation has kept up its heroic fight against great odds. Today the French army is larger and more effective than ever, and hundreds of thousands of African battle workers have been imported to carry on the duties abandoned by the French to fight for their country.

"Can a nation be whipped that has such a spirit as that?" asked the Red Cross official.

MISS MAY PERSHING



Miss May Pershing, sister of Gen. John J. Pershing, is jointly responsible with a married sister for some interesting sidelights on General Pershing. They vouch for the statement that his hobby is gardening and that but for a newspaper story he would never have entered the army through West Point.

NO-TOBACCO DAYS IN PARIS

Shops Open Half Hour Each Week When Police Guard Smokers' Lines.

Paris.—French tobacco and cigarettes are now obtainable in Paris only once each week and even then during the space of but about thirty minutes. During that half hour the tobaccoists' shops present about the same appearance as did the coal and wood yards during the fuel famine last winter. It takes from three to a half-dozen policemen for each shop to keep waiting smokers orderly while the weekly supply is being dealt out, and to pacify those that are still in line when the "no more tobacco" sign is hung out.

Bumper Ice Crop.

New Haven, Conn.—The Connecticut ice crop is to be a bumper one. Already the majority of ice houses in the state are filled and in many places ice is being stacked.

We Announce Our Initial Showing of the

New Spring Dresses

Smart New Modes of Refreshing Beauty

Announce the arrival in completeness of

New Spring Boot Fashions

FOR WOMEN

A Metropolitan Display of New Shoes

Which introduce to you the new military tendencies and those newer and distinctive modes in exclusive footwear that will dominate the styles for the spring season of 1918.

AND YOU WILL BE SURPRISED AT THE MODERATE PRICES ASKED FOR OUR SHOES—WITH ALL THEIR STYLE EXCLUSIVENESS—WILL BE LESS EXPENSIVE THIS SPRING.

Last season our most expensive shoes were priced at \$16.00 and this season we will be able to offer you shoes of even more exclusiveness in style and equal quality at \$14.00, which will be the highest price asked for our new spring boots. And our \$6.00, \$7.00 and \$8.00 values you will find to be extremely smart in style and of extra fine quality.

The Anderson-Newcomb Co.

On Third Avenue Huntington, W. Va.

DONITHON.

The sun is shining brightly in our neighborhood once more.

Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Meredith came up from Kenova last week to spend some time with home folks here.

Church was largely attended Sunday.

Mrs. Sam Frazier came over from the Falls and attended church here.

Prayer meeting at Mrs. Nettie Maynard's last Thursday night was successful.

Bessie Moore spent the week-end with home folks here.

Z. T. Frazier has returned home to farm.

Narve Frazier is the pleasant guest of relatives here.

Miss May Moore of Grass, W. Va., spent Saturday and Sunday here the guest of Bessie and Mary Moore.

S. Y. Dobbins preached here Saturday and Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Eldon Fields and Master Leroy were calling on home folks here recently.

Miss Briza Peters is attending school here and is at the home of Mrs. Mary Chapman.

Charley Maynard went to Rocky Valley to preach Sunday.

Mrs. Wm. Hall spent Saturday night with her mother Mrs. Jesse Maynard.

On February 1 Lindsey Lambert volunteered and joined the aviation corps and is now at San Antonio, Texas. He was a student at Huntington, but the call was too strong and he said he could stay back no longer. This makes the third youngster to volunteer and go from our community during the last month. And we must not forget the heroic effort that Gwin Chapman has made to serve his country. Though only 17 years old he tried to get them to take him any way, at least he had a pleasant trip to Columbus, G. Then came the test when Gwin would not wear his belt. We are proud of these brave boys.

Anse Fields has returned from the coal mines.

Jesse Hall and Bill Hammond were calling on Rebecca and Vinis Tyree Sunday.

There will be prayer meeting at Mrs. Heltsley's Thursday night.

Rev. and Mrs. Strother Fitzpatrick were calling on Mrs. Heltsley Sunday.

Master Fred Hardwick has been on the sick list for several days. He has been very sick.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Frazier have moved to our community. They will make their home on Mrs. Nettie Maynard's farm.

Mrs. Harvey Belcher and children have returned home.

Our Sunday school is progressing nicely again.

Mr. and Mrs. Tom Brasham attended church here Sunday.

Mrs. Jane Peters spent Sunday night with Mrs. Mary E. Chapman.

Mrs. Chas. Sammons and children were calling on relatives here one day last week.

Mrs. Carl Compton and children of Kernit, have returned home after an extended visit with Mrs. Compton's mother here.

Wellsey Peters and Malcolm Stansberry attended church here Saturday and Sunday.

Little Miss Mary Heltsley has been on the sick list for the past few days. Master Forest Belcher came over from Griffith creek Monday.

Mrs. Mary E. Chapman contemplates a visit with relatives at Portsmouth soon.

Miss Alice Chapman of Laurel attended church here Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Allen Maynard came over from Laurel Sunday.

Last Saturday, February 15, Missie Moore and Hobert Grayham surprised their friends by getting married. They went to Louisa and while there the wedding occurred. This happy couple returned to Donithon Sunday. They

were accompanied by Mrs. Bessie Moore. The bride has been a Kentucky teacher and has just finished a term of school near Webb, W. Va. May the sun shine on them in all its glorious splendor and may they be forever happy in the wish of all their Donithon friends, including SMILEY.

BLAINE.

A. H. Ayers, president of the Union Gas & Oil Co. of Indiana, was here last week looking after his interests in the way of oil and gas developments.

He came over from Louisa in an automobile which was rather remarkable at this time of year.

The company holds about 20,000 acres in Lawrence and Johnson county and contemplates putting in 20 or more wells the coming summer.

Mrs. L. T. Sparks of Martha, was visiting her stepson, Dr. H. H. Sparks and family last week.

A. J. Mounts, formerly a citizen of this place, but now of Louisa, was here last week looking after his real estate.

He rented his farm to Green Wellman, a prosperous merchant of this place.

H. C. Gambill and Matthew Bates are in Louisa members of the petit jury.

R. K. Williams has returned to Portsmouth, Ohio, where he has employment. He was accompanied by his wife. They will leave home the remainder of the time. Mr. Williams works there.

Mrs. Beauregard May of Sandy Hook came here the first of last week and was operated on for pelvic trouble. The operation was successfully performed by Dr. H. C. Osborn of this place, assisted by Dr. Mead of Flat Gap, Ky.

She returned to her home last Tuesday. Mrs. May is a daughter of John Butcher, a wealthy farmer of Middle Fork.

Miss Ruth Osborn and Miss Carrie Pack were guests of Miss Chloe Nickel one night last week.

Green Wellman, one of our leading merchants, is down the river buying his spring line of goods.

Miss Ethel Edwards, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. S. Edwards, was visiting at Flat Gap Friday and Saturday.

Bob Rose, salesman for the Union Grocery company was calling on the merchants here last Monday.

Fern, the five year old daughter of Dr. and Mrs. H. C. Osborn very handsomely entertained a party of friends of her own age Monday afternoon.

BIG CHIEF.

Prayer meeting here every Wednesday night. Everybody invited to come.

Mr. and Mrs. K. Frazier were shopping in Louisa one day last week.

W. L. Ferguson and son, Walter of Louisa, attended the funeral of Mrs. R. P. Robinson.

Mr. Stidham is visiting his daughter, Mrs. Alice Clark.

Miss Mary Chaffin was visiting Hazel Rickman Sunday afternoon.

C. W. Rickman, who has been employed at Clendenin, W. Va., for some time, is at home for a few days.

G. B. Rickman of Zelida, was visiting his daughter, Mrs. C. M. Workman of Huntington, West Va.

Judge J. C. Clark of Catlettsburg, was at Zelida Monday on business.

Miss Allie Chaffin was visiting at Hubbardstown, W. Va., Sunday.

G. B. Rickman was at Louisa Monday on business.

Wayne Polley, who has been confined to his room for some time, is able to be out again.

Miss Ethel Davis and Mabel Rickman had a real pleasant horseback ride Sunday afternoon.

Harrison Moore called at H. K. Mead's Sunday.

Misses Bertha, Betty and Carrie Currutte, Inez Woods and Mrs. George Potter of Catlapa, attended prayer meeting at Zelida Wednesday night.

HE TRUE.

SMALL FARM NEAR LOUISA IS WANTED

We have been requested to try to locate a small place for rent just on the outskirts of Louisa. Want a good house and a few acres of land suitable for cultivation. Apply to the Big Sandy News office.

NORIS.

Several from Georges creek attended church here Sunday.

The death angel has again made its appearance in the home of Mrs. Lucy Kitchen and chose for its victim her loving mother. She was 84 years old and leaves seven children, three boys and four girls, Mrs. Lucy Kitchen, Mrs. Oude Kestep, Mrs. Katie Kestep and Mrs. Martha Edwards. Marion, Andy and William. Her children were all present but William and Katie. She has a good many grandchildren and a host of friends and relatives. She had been a member of the United Baptist church for years. She will be missed by all who knew her.

Mrs. Belle O'Bryan was visiting aunt Mary Thompson last Sunday. Aunt Mary's health does not improve.

Aunt Tener Thompson is seriously ill at this writing.

Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Moore and family will move back to our neighborhood in the near future.

Harrison Moore was visiting friends and relatives here last Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. John E. O'Bryan have moved to Marion Frances place.

Mr. and Mrs. Charley Hays were visiting the latter's parents, Mr. and Mrs. M. G. Thompson Saturday and Sunday.

TULIP.

W. S. S.

OUR OFFICIALS

(Politics Indicated By D and R)

U. S. Senators—Ollie M. James and J. C. W. Beckham—D.

Congressman—W. J. Fields—D.

Governor—A. O. Stanley—D.

Lieut. Governor—Jas. A. Black—D.

Auditor—Robt. L. Greene—D.

Atty. General—Chas. H. Morris—D.

Treasurer—Sherman Goodpastor—D.

Sec. of State—James Lewis—R.

Supt. Public Instruction—V. O. Gilbert—D.

State Senator—Dr. H. T. Morris—R.

Representative—B. H. Harris—R.

Circuit Judge—A. N. Cisco—R.

Commonwealth's Attorney—John M. Waugh—D.

Lawrence County.

County Judge—Billie Riffe—R.

Co. Attorney—D. L. Thompson—R.

County Clerk—D. P. Adams—R.

Circuit Clerk—W. J. Roberts—R.

Sheriff—W. M. Taylor—D.

Supt. Schools—J. H. Ekers—D.

Jailer—S. M. Sturtevant—R.

Assessor—Work Williams—R.

Surveyor—L. E. Wallace—D.

Coroner—M. V. Hickman—R.

Justice of the Peace, composing the county fiscal court—P. F. Diamond, (D), G. S. Chapman (R), George W. Wellman (D), W. E. Fugitt (R), G. V. Pack (R), Henry Bishop (R), Jay Fraiser (D).

City of Louisa.

Mayor—Augustus Snyder—D.

Police Judge—H. B. Hewlett—D.

City Clerk—R. L. Vinson—D.